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**A HYDROGEN STORAGE MATERIAL INCLUDING A MODIFIED Ti-MN<sub>2</sub> ALLOY**

[ X ] were filed on November 30, 2001 as application Serial No. 09/998,277, and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable) that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; that we acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 (a); and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate of this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by us or our legal representative or assigns, except as follows: NONE.

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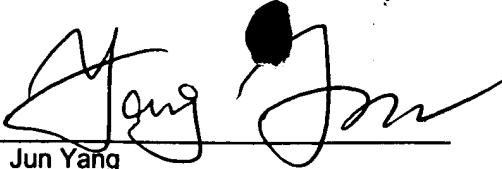


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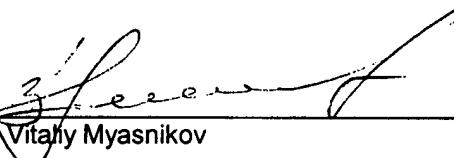
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